## Dredging Work to Occur Near Riverside County Park

## **Project Summary**

Starting in late Spring 2013, a cleanup project will begin in an area of the Passaic River adjacent to the Riverside County Park North and Thomas F. Gallagher Memorial Recreation Area. This work is being done by the Lower Passaic River Study Area Cooperating Parties Group (CPG) with the oversight of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The work will include removal of approximately 20,000 cubic yards of contaminated sediment from the River bottom over a period of about eight weeks. Work is expected to take place 12 hours a day for six days a week. After dredging work is completed, a cap will be installed in the dredged areas. Both dredging and capping work is expected to be completed by this Fall.

All work will be conducted from the water, so no sediment or capping material will be staged in the park or recreation area, or transported via local streets.

The Township is working closely with Bergen County, the CPG and the EPA to ensure a safe working environment and continued use of the park, recreation area and River by members of the public.

If you have any questions or would like any additional information on the project, please contact Wanda Ayala, EPA Community Involvement Coordinator at 212-637-3676

## **Project Not Connected to Flooding**

It is important to note that this project is being undertaken to address contaminated sediment in the River bottom only, not to address any flooding issues. The project has been designed to have no impact on flooding and because all work will be conducted from the water minimal impact on the adjacent area.

## **Public Information Session**

On Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, there will be an availability session for interested members of the public. This session will be held at the Lyndhurst Senior Center, 250 Cleveland Avenue, Lyndhurst, NJ from 7-9 p.m.

The session will consist of a presentation and Q&A session followed by a public availability – where attendees will have the opportunity to meet one-on-one with representatives of the EPA, CPG and other government agencies.

For more information about the project, please visit one of the following websites:

- Our Passaic (EPA's Website for Project) (link: www.ourpassaic.org)
- CPG website (link: www.lowerpassaiccpg.com/rivermile10.9landing)